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SUBJECT: SOUTH PACIFIC NUCLEAR FREE ZON (SPNFZ)

REF: WELLINGTON 1900 (NOTAL)

1. EMBASSY HAS JUST RECEIVED FROM FOREIGN MINISTRY
TEXT QUOTED BELOW OF DRAFT UN RESOLUTION ON SPNFZ.
MINISTRY STATES TEXT IS BEING PROVIDED NZ EMBASSIES
WASHINGTON AND CANBERRA AS BASIS FOR CONSULTATIONS WITH
US AND AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENTS.

2. BEGIN QUOTE THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

CONSCIOUS OF TH URGENT NEED FOR AGREEMENT ON MEASURES
TO ACHIEVE THE GOAL OF GENERAL AN COMPLETE DISARMAMENT,
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INCLUDING NUCLEAR DISARMAMENT, UNDER EFFECTIVE INTERNATIONAL

CONTROL,

CONVINCED THAT THE PROLIFERATION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS
AND CONTINUANCE OF THE NUCLEAR ARMS RACE ARE AMONG
THE GREATEST THREATS TO WORLD PEACE,
NOTING THAT ARTICLE VII OF THE TREATY ON THE NON-
PROLIFERATION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS ACKNOWLEDGES THE RIGHT
OF ANY GROUP OF STATES TO CONCLUDE A TREATY TO ASSURE THE
TOTAL ABSENCE OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS IN THEIR RESPECTIVE
TERRITORIES,

NOTING FURTHER THE DECLARATION OF THE REVIEW CONFERENCE
OF THE PARTIES TO THE TREATY ON THE NON-PROLIFERATION OF
NUCLEAR WEAPONS THAT THE ESTABLISHMENT OF INTERNATIONALLY
RECOGNISED NUCLEAR WEAPON FREE ZONES ON THE INITIATIVE
AND WITH THE AGREEMENT OF THE DIRECTLY CONCERNED STATES
OF THE ZONE, REPRESENTS AN EFFECTIVE MEANS OF CURBING THE
SPREAD OF SUCH WEAPONS, AND COULD CONTRIBUTE SIGNIFICANTLY
TO THE SECURITY OF THOSE STATES,

ENDORSING ALSO THE DECLARATION OF THE REVIEW CON-
FERENCE THAT THE COOPERATION OF THE NUCLEAR WEAPONS STATES
IS NECESSARY FOR THE MAXIMUM EFFECTIVENESS OF ANY TREATY
ARRANGEMENTS FOR ESTABLISHING A NUCLEAR WEAPON FREE ZONE,

NOTING IN ADDITION THAT THE HEADS OF GOVERNMENT OF
THE INDEPENDENT OR SELF GOVERNING STATES OF THE SOUTH
PACIFIC IN THE COMMUNIQUE OF THE SOUTH PACIFIC FORUM OF
3 JULY 1975 EMPHASISED THE IMPORTANCE OF KEEPING THE
SOUTH PACIFIC REGION FREE FROM THE RISK OF NUCLEAR
CONTAMINATION AND OF INVOLVEMENT IN A NUCLEAR CONFLICT
AND COMMENDED THE IDEA OF ESTABLISHING A NUCLEAR WEAPON
FREE ZONE IN THE SOUTH PACIFIC AS A MEANS OF ACHIEVING
THAT AIM,

1. ENDORSES THE IDEA OF THE ESTABLISHMENT OF
A NUCLEAR WEAPON FREE ZONE IN THE SOUTH PACIFIC.

2. INVITES THE COUNTRIES CONCERNED TO CARRY FORWARD
CONSULTATIONS ABOUT WAYS AND MEANS OF REALISING THIS
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OBJECTIVE.

3. EXPRESSES THE HOPE THAT ALL STATES, AND IN
PARTICULAR THE NUCLEAR-WEAPON STATES, WILL LEND THEIR FULL
COOPERATION FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE IDEA.

4. REQUESTS THE SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE UNITED
NATIONS TO RENDER ALL NECESSARY ASSISTANCE TO THE STATES

OF THE REGION IN GIVING EFFECT TO THE PURPOSE OF THIS
RESOLUTION. END QUOTE
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